Books suggested for the Council Library.

390. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of books and publications that have been suggested for the Council Library by the Hon'ble Members of this House for the last three years with the respective dates of the suggestions;

(b) those of (a) already got down;

(c) the reasons why the remaining ones have not been got down;

(d) the date (approximate) when they will be coming forth?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—(a) and (b). A list is appended. (*Appendix IV*).

(c) Want of funds.

(d) When funds permit.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—What is the total allotment for new books in these three years?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—This year the amount sanctioned is Rs. 150, last year it was Rs. 750 and the year previous Rs. 1,000.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know how much have been spent?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Year before last books were purchased for Rs. 1,000. During last year only a sum of Rs. 250 was spent for the purchase of books, the balance having been used for buying a Duplicator machine. This year, so far, about Rs. 75 have been spent for getting down books.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Who made the suggestion with regard to all these books?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—The Hon'ble Member for Cranganur.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Have the Government inquired whether these books are proscribed or not?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—These books have not been ordered for. So, there was no occasion to make any enquiry.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Which is the book that is proscribed?

President.—You may ask the Hon'ble Member.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Can the amount intended for books be utilised for purchasing Duplicator machine?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—The Duplicator was purchased only after obtaining special sanction from the Government.

Working of the fan in the Council Library.

391. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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